
SENATE BILL No. 347

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-21; IC 16-28.

Synopsis: Do not resuscitate. Requires hospitals and health facilities to inscribe a "do not resuscitate" symbol on a patient's wristband after a physician has signed an order that the patient is not to be resuscitated. Establishes penalties for failure to inscribe a symbol on a patient's wristband.

Effective: July 1, 2005.

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January 11, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2004 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-21-2-17 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2005]: **Sec. 17. (a) This section applies to a patient in a hospital
4 licensed under this article who is the subject of a properly executed
5 do not resuscitate order.**

6 **(b) If a physician signs an order that a patient is not to be
7 resuscitated, a hospital shall inscribe on the wristband of the
8 patient a symbol clearly designating that the order exists.**

9 SECTION 2. IC 16-21-3-4 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
10 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
11 1, 2005]: **Sec. 4. The state health commissioner may assess against
12 a person who violates IC 16-21-2-17 a civil penalty in an amount
13 that does not exceed the following:**

14 **(1) One thousand dollars (\$1,000) for a first violation.**

15 **(2) Five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for a second or subsequent
16 violation.**

17 SECTION 3. IC 16-28-2-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE



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1 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
2 1, 2005]: **Sec. 11. (a) This section applies to a patient in a health
3 facility licensed under this article who is the subject of a properly
4 executed do not resuscitate order.**

5 **(b) If a physician signs an order that a patient is not to be
6 resuscitated, a health facility shall inscribe on the wristband of the
7 patient a symbol clearly designating that the order exists.**

8 SECTION 4. IC 16-28-9-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
9 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
10 1, 2005]: **Sec. 7. The state department may assess against a person
11 who violates IC 16-28-2-11 a civil penalty in an amount that does
12 not exceed the following:**

13 **(1) One thousand dollars (\$1,000) for a first violation.**

14 **(2) Five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for a second or subsequent
15 violation.**

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